

Legislation

The Hungry Canyons Alliance portion of the Loess Hills Development and Conservation Authority, was created by the Iowa State Legislature in 1993 in State Code Section 161D. The code reads:

1. A loess hills development and conservation authority is created... The mission of the authority is to develop and coordinate plans for projects related to the unique natural resource, rural development, and infrastructure problems of counties in the deep loess region of western Iowa. The erosion and degradation of stream channels in the deep loess soils has occurred due to historic channelization of the Missouri river and straightening stream channels of its tributaries. This erosion of land has damaged the rural infrastructure of this area, destroyed public roads and bridges, adversely impacted stream water quality and riparian habitat, and affected other public and private improvements. Stabilization of stream channels is necessary to protect the rural infrastructure in the deep loess soils area of the state...

The Loess Hills Development and Conservation Authority administers the Loess Hills Development and Conservation Authority fund of the State Treasury and proceeds of this fund are used for the Authority's two projects: the **Hungry Canyons Alliance Fund** and the Loess Hills Alliance Fund (created in later legislation).

The Hungry Canyons Alliance cannot do the job the state legislature created us for without funding.